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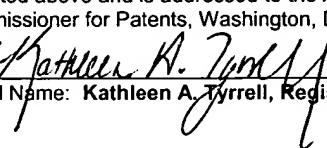
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Dear Sir:

Reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.111

This is a response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2001, setting a three (3) month statutory period for reply. A Petition for a two (2) month extension of time and the requisite fee are provided herewith. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

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